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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the invention entitled:

SERVICE PROTECTION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TDM or WDM COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the declaration.

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THE UNDERSIGNED, LYNN S. CASSAN, Registration No. 32,378, having been duly appointed attorney in respect of the above-referenced United States patent application, by a Declaration executed on 21 December, 2001, hereby appoints the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s): William A. Webb, Registration No. 28,277; Craig A. Summerfield, Registration No. 37,947 and Joseph F. Hetz, Registration No. 41,070, whose address for correspondence and telephone number are: Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione, P.O. Box 10395, Chicago, Illinois 60610, Telephone: 312-321-4200, as her associate attorneys with full power to prosecute said application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the Letters Patent, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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